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FM Broadcast Stations)	
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Springfield, Tennessee and)	
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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

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SUMMARY OF PETITION

Saga Communications of Tuckesscc, LLC (“Saga”), licensee of WJOT-FM, Channel 232A, Springfield, Tennessee, seeks to reallocate Channel **232A** to **Oak Grove**, Kentucky, and modify the license of WJOI-FM to operate at Oak Grove. Saga shows herein that the reallocation would be in the public interest because it would provide a first local service to Oak Grove and would not leave Springfield without local radio service. Springfield currently has three local stations and would be left with two local stations if the Commission permits Saga to relocate WJOI-FM. Additionally, the public interest would be served because WJOI-FM would greatly increase the population it will serve and the loss area is well served by five or more services.

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

Saga Communications of Tuckessee, LLC. (“Saga”), by its attorneys, and pursuant to Section 1.420(i) of the Commission's Rules, hereby respectfully files this Petition for Rule Making to modify the Table of Allotments (47 C. F. R. §73.202 (b)) to change the allotment of FM Channel 232A from Springfield, Tennessee, to Oak Grove, Kentucky, with a concurrent modification of the license of WJOI-FM, Springfield, Tennessee, to operate on Channel 232A at Oak Grove, Kentucky. In support whereof, the following is shown:

Background

1. WJOI-FM, Channel 232A, Springfield, Tennessee, is licensed to Saga. Saga requests the Commission to delete Channel 232A from Springfield and to reallocate it *to* Oak Grove, Kentucky, with a concurrent modification of the license of WJOI-FM to operate on Channel 232A at Oak Grove. This change is permissible under Section 1.420(i) of the Rules, which authorizes the Commission to modify the license or permit of an FM station to specify a new

community of license where the amended allotment would be mutually exclusive with the licensee's present allotment.

2. Two factors must be demonstrated in order to change a station's city of license in a rule making proceeding: (1) the channel changes must be mutually exclusive, and (2) the rule making must not deprive a community of an existing service representing its only local transmission service. The Commission has stated that in making the determination of whether to amend the Table of Assignments it would "**take** into account the totality of the service improvements resulting from a proposed change in community of license in determining whether an allotment proposal should be approved." See Modification of FM and TV Authorizations (New Community of License), 4 FCC Rcd 4870 [66 RR 2d 877] (1989). Saga's proposal is consistent with the rules and Commission policies, i.e., the channel changes are mutually exclusive, and as shown *infra*, the rule making will not deprive Springfield of its only local transmission service. The proposal will result in bringing a first local service to Oak Grove, Kentucky.

Expression of Continuing Interest

3. If the Commission allots Channel 232A to Oak Grove, Saga will timely file an application for a minor change construction permit to operate WJOI-FM at Oak Grove, and upon grant, will promptly construct and operate the facilities.

4. Attachment A is a Technical Exhibit, which is incorporated herein by reference, that provides the Commission with technical information about the proposed Springfield/Oak Grove channel exchange.

Springfield, Tennessee

5. According to the U.S. Census, Springfield had a 2000 population of 14,329 persons. Springfield has three commercial broadcast stations, WJOI-FM and WJQY(AM)¹, also licensed to Saga, and WSGI(AM), 1100 kHz, 1 kW daytime, licensed to Lightning Broadcasting, LLC. Springfield will not be deprived of its only transmission service if the Commission reallocates Channel 232A to Oak Grove, Kentucky, since two commercial radio stations will remain licensed to Springfield, Tennessee.

Oak Grove, Kentucky

6. Oak Grove is listed in the U.S. Census as a city which had a 2000 population of 7,064. The 1990 Census showed Oak Grove with 2,864 persons; therefore, in 10 years the population has more than doubled in size. Oak Grove is the second largest city in Christian County, Kentucky, which had a 2000 population of 72,265. Oak Grove has an elected mayor, an elected six member city council, a City Attorney and City Clerk. The city owns its own water and sewer systems. It has a fully staffed police department, volunteer fire department, and volunteer ambulance service. There is a Chamber of Commerce and a cable television system. Oak Grove has its own U. S. Post Office and ZIP Code, i.e., 42262. Oak Grove has commercial businesses. Schools are provided by the Christian County Board of Education. **Oak** Grove has health care professionals and a health care facility. Oak Grove has its own local phone directory. *Oak* Grove has churches.² Therefore, Oak Grove possesses the requisite "social, economic and cultural components that are commonly associated with community status." See, FM Table of

¹ WJQY operates on 1590 kHz with 710 Watts days, 30 Watts nights

² More detailed information is provided *supra* in the *Tuck* showing.

Allotments (East Hemet, CA), 67 RR 2d 146, 147 (1989). WJOI-FM would bring first local radio service to Oak Grove, since Oak Grove currently does not have a local station.

Tuck Showing

7. The Technical Exhibit shows that Oak Grove is located within the Clarksville, Tennessee-Kentucky, Urbanized Area. Oak Grove comprises only 5.6% of the Urbanized Area. From the reference coordinates at **North Longitude 36° 35' 49"**, **West Longitude 87° 14' 52"** WJOI-FM would provide a city grade contour to approximately 80% of the Urbanized Area. Since Oak Grove is inside the Urbanized Area, Saga herein makes a showing pursuant to *Faye and Richard Tuck*, 3 FCC Rcd 5374 (1998), and *RKO General (KFRC)*, 5 FCC Rcd 3222 (1990) ("*Tuck-KFRC*") that stations licensed to the Urbanized Area should not be attributed to Oak Grove. Oak Grove warrants a first local service preference since it easily meets the tests set out in *Tuck-KFRC*. Oak Grove is not dependent on Clarksville, and the stations licensed to the Clarksville, Tennessee-Kentucky Urbanized Area should not be attributed to Oak Grove.

8. The Commission has previously determined that Oak Grove is an independent community which should be treated sufficiently separate and distinct from the Clarksville, Tennessee-Kentucky Urbanized Area and should not be credited with the aural services licensed to the Urbanized Area. See *Cadiz and Oak Grove, Kentucky*, 10 FCC Rcd 10785 (1995), reconsideration denied, 11 FCC Rcd 22208 (1996) (herein "*Channel 293C3 Order*"), where the Commission authorized the licensee of WKDZ-FM, Channel 293C3, Cadiz, Kentucky, to relocate the station to Oak Grove.³ Nevertheless, Saga herein provides a *Tuck* showing to update

³ By *Memorandum Opinion and Order, Cadiz and Oak Grove, Kentucky*, 16 FCC Rcd 9556 (2001), the Chief, Allocations Branch, considered an application for review challenging the *Channel 293C3 Order*. The *Channel 293C3 Order* was set aside and the application for review was dismissed because the licensee of WKDZ-FM withdrew its request for the channel allotment

the information since seven years have elapsed since *Channel 293C3 Order* was decided. Saga restates the factors under which the Commission should again find that Oak Grove meets the tests in *Tuck-KFRC* that support a finding that Saga's proposal would bring a first local service to the residents of Oak Grove

9. To evaluate the three criteria enumerated in *Tuck-KFRC*, the Commission examines (I) the extent to which the proposed station could provide service not only to the suburban community, but also to the adjacent metropolis; (II) relative size and proximity of the suburban community to the metropolis; and (III) whether there is independence of the suburban community from the metropolis. The Commission should be judicious in its application of the *Tuck-KFRC* test to Clarksville and Oak Grove. It appears that the only reason Oak Grove is included in the Urbanized Area spawned by Clarksville is population density of the commercial corridor between Clarksville and Fort Campbell, Kentucky, which neighbors Oak Grove. This is not the typical situation where the Commission can easily apply its *Tuck-KFRC* criteria to find that a small community adjacent to a large "metropolis" is independent of that metropolis. Although Oak Grove easily meets the *Tuck-KFRC* tests, the application of the criteria should be made with the actual geopolitical characteristics of the situation firmly in mind. Each of the *Tuck-KFRC* criteria is discussed separately:

1. Signal Population Coverage. The attached Technical Exhibit shows that a Class **A** station operating from the reference coordinates would place a 60 dBu signal (primary service) over 100 percent of the Clarksville, Tennessee-Kentucky Urbanized Area which includes Oak

to Oak Grove (the licensee had separately applied for and received a construction permit for a one-step upgrade for WKDZ-FM at Cadiz.) Thus, although the allotment of Channel 293C3 to Oak Grove was set aside on other grounds, the finding that Oak Grove should not be credited with the other aural services in the Urbanized Area **was** not rescinded,

Grove, Kentucky and Clarksville, Tennessee. A 70 dBU signal would serve 80% of the Urbanized Area or a population of 99,886 persons within the Urbanized Area.

II. Relative Size and Proximity. With respect to the second criterion, of relative size and proximity, Oak Grove is approximately 18 km (11 miles) north of Clarksville and has a population of 7,064 according to the 2000 census comprising 5.6% of the total population of the Urbanized Area, whereas Clarksville has a population of 103,455 which is about **14** times larger. Examination of the map of the Urbanized Area included in the Technical Exhibit reveals that **Oak** Grove is in the Urbanized Area simply because of population density in the corridor that connects Clarksville and Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In light of this, the fact that *Oak* Grove is NOT contiguous with Clarksville (it is 11 miles distant) should be considered with respect to the relative size and proximity factor as further proof of the separate status of Oak Grove.

III. Independence of Oak Grove. The Commission analyzes eight factors to determine whether a community is independent of the metropolis. Each factor is considered herein. In sum, the evidence addressing most of the factors, now, as it did in the 1995 *Channel 293C3 Order*, supports a finding of independence of **Oak** Grove.

(a) **The extent to which community residents work in Clarksville rather than Oak Grove.** According to the 2000 U. S. Census, the population of Oak Grove contains 3,527 workers age 16 and over. Of those, 2,561 or 73% work in Christian County, Kentucky; while only 966 or 27% work out of state. The majority of Oak Grove residents are military and work in the neighboring Fort Campbell, Kentucky, area, rather than in Oak Grove. Oak Grove and Fort Campbell are located in Christian County. Therefore, even assuming **all** 966 persons employed out of state work in Clarksville, approximately 3/4 of the work force is employed in Christian County, and not in Clarksville.

(b) **Whether Oak Grove has its own newspaper or other media that covers Oak Grove's needs and interests.** Oak Grove does not have its own newspaper, but does have cable television service provided by Mediaone. Charter Communications provides cable television service to Clarksville. There are no radio or television stations licensed to Oak Grove at present.

(c) **Whether Oak Grove community leaders and residents perceive Oak Grove separate from Clarksville.** There are attached letters from the mayor of Oak Grove and a member of the city council stating that Oak Grove is independent from the Clarksville Urbanized Area, and that they perceive Oak Grove as separate from the Urbanized Area.⁴ The Mayor, Jean Leavell, has been a resident of Oak Grove for 26 years and is in a position to know the perceptions of her constituents. Residents of Oak Grove are governed by the laws of Kentucky, not Tennessee, and pay their taxes to the State of Kentucky and Christian County, Kentucky. Oak Grove school children attend Kentucky schools. Residents of Oak Grove must transact government business (mamage licenses, drivers licenses, deed registrations, etc.) with the State of Kentucky and its subdivisions, not with Tennessee.

(d) **Oak Grove has its own local government and elected officials.** As noted *supra*, Oak Grove has its own local government and elected officials. It has a mayor, city council, city attorney, city clerk and annual budget. Oak Grove is represented in the Kentucky State Legislature whereas Clarksville is represented by members of the Tennessee General Assembly. Additionally, Oak Grove residents are represented in the U.S. Congress by different members than those who represent residents of Clarksville, Tennessee.

⁴ Attachment B, letter from Jean Leavell, Mayor, and Susan Laney, City Council Member.

(e) **Whether Oak Grove has its own telephone book provided by the local telephone company or ZIP code.** Oak Grove has its own post office and ZIP code, but does not have its own telephone directory because all of the smaller communities in the region are combined into one regional telephone directory. Oak Grove listings are included in the regional directory covering Christian County. That directory does not include Clarksville. The area code for Oak Grove is 270. The area code for Clarksville is 931. The ZIP code for Oak Grove is 42262.

(f) **Oak Grove has its own commercial establishments, health facilities and transportation systems.** Oak Grove has a wide variety of commercial businesses, including grocery stores, restaurants, furniture stores, banks, garages, automobile sales, mobile home sales, video rentals, liquor stores, pawn shops and dry cleaners. Health care is provided by neighboring Fort Campbell for military dependents and other health care providers not in Oak Grove.’

(g) **The extent to which Oak Grove and Clarksville are part of the same advertising market.** Arbitron includes Clarksville listeners in radio audience measurements for Montgomery County, Tennessee (Clarksville), but Oak Grove listeners are included in Arbitron audience measurements for Christian County, Kentucky. Therefore, Arbitron considers the communities as being in separate markets, although audience figures for both counties appear in the same survey book.

(h) **The extent to which Oak Grove relies on Clarksville for various municipal services such as police, fire protection, schools and libraries.** Oak Grove has its own municipal services, which include a police department, fire department, and public library. Oak

5 See Attachment C, incorporated herein by reference, copy of information on Oak Grove obtained from the internet and the Oak Grove Chamber of Commerce.

Grove school children attend schools provided by Christian County, Kentucky, not Clarksville.

10. **Tuck Summary.** As shown above, the independent status of **Oak** Grove has not changed in the 7 years that have elapsed since *Channel 293C3 Order* was released. While **Tuck-KFRC** factor one (signal population coverage) would appear to favor attributing the Urbanized Area aural services **Oak** Grove, the second factor (size/proximity of **Oak** Grove to Clarksville) and the third factor (independence of Oak Grove from the Urbanized Area) clearly support a finding of not attributing the Clarksville, Tennessee-Kentucky Urbanized Area aural services to Oak Grove. As stated in **Tuck**, the size and proximity of the specified community to the central city and signal population coverage are pertinent, but less significant than evidence of independence. As a result, we conclude that **Oak** Grove is sufficiently independent from the Clarksville, Tennessee-Kentucky Urbanized Area so that the aural services licensed to the Urbanized Area should NOT be attributed to **Oak** Grove.

Section 307(b) Analysis

11. In determining which proposal will better serve the public interest, the Commission is guided by the allotment priorities set forth in *Revision of FM Assignment Policies and Procedures*, 90 FCC 2d 88 (1982). The FM allotment priorities are: (1) first full-time aural service; (2) second full-time aural service; (3) first local service; and (4) other public interest matters [Co-equal weight is given to priorities (2) and (3).] Under priority three, first local service, Oak Grove warrants a preference over retaining WJOI-FM as a third local service to Springfield. Retaining WJOI-FM at Springfield would not trigger priority three because Springfield already has three stations.

Other Public Interest Considerations

12. In changing its community of license, WJOI-FM proposes to relocate its transmitter site. The Technical Exhibit demonstrates that the 60 dBu (1.0 mV/m) contour of WJOI-FM at Springfield covers 1,867 square kilometers, encompassing a population of 82,971 persons. WJOI-FM operating at Oak Grove would cover 2,516 square kilometers and 173,611 persons – more than double the licensed service. The Technical Exhibit indicates that there is no loss area resulting from the proposed WJOI-FM change receiving fewer than five aural services. The population within the gain area is 160,615 persons. The loss area of 1,209 square kilometers contains 69,975 persons. There are 5 AM and 9 FM stations that provide 100% coverage to the loss area. Therefore, the loss area is well-served. See, *FM Table of Allotments (Douglas, GA. et al.)*, 10 FCC Rcd 7706, 7707 (1995) (where loss area received service from at least five full-time reception services, Commission found area to be "well-served"). See also *Wray and Otis, Colorado*, 13 FCC Rcd 2612 (1998). The reallocation to Oak Grove will result in a significant gain in population served by the station, thus other grounds exist for granting this proposal. As noted above, since Springfield will continue to enjoy service from WJQY and WSGI, Saga's proposal will not deprive Springfield of its only local transmission service. The Commission has made allotment changes where only a daytime AM station remained in a community. See *Johnstown and Altamont, New York*, 13 FCC Rcd 12463 (1998) [WIZR, Johnstown, operating with 1 kW day and 28 watts at night]. Here, there will be two stations remaining in Springfield. The public interest would be served by reallocating Channel **232A** to Oak Grove, Kentucky, from Springfield, Tennessee, since it would provide Oak Grove with its first local aural transmission service and enable WJOI-FM to serve greater population.

13. As shown in the attached Technical Exhibit, Oak Grove would be entirely covered by a 70 dBu or better signal from WJOI-FM. Thus, modification of the license for WJOI-FM would be consistent with the Commission's city-grade contour coverage requirements.

14. As set out in *Revision of FM Assignment Policies and Procedures, supra*, first local service to Oak Grove is greatly preferred to retaining three local services to Springfield. Thus, there would a preferential arrangement of allotments resulting from the allotment of Channel 232A to Oak Grove

WHEREFORE, Saga respectfully requests the Commission to amend Section 73.202(b) of the Commission's Rules, as follows:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
		Tennessee
Springfield	232A	----- ⁶
		Kentucky
Oak Grove	NONE	232A

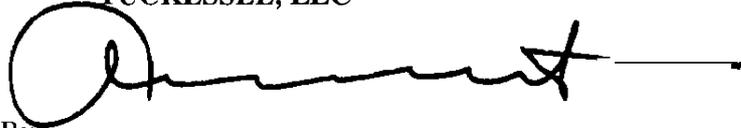
⁶ WJQY(AM) and WSGI(AM) are to remain licensed to Springfield

Conclusion

IS. Saga requests the Commission to allot Channel 232A to Oak Grove, Kentucky, and modify the license of WJOI-FM to operate on FM Channel **232A** at Oak Grove. If the Commission so modifies the license of WJOI-FM, Saga will timely file an application for minor change construction permit to operate WJOI-FM at Oak Grove, and upon grant thereof, Saga will construct the new facilities and operate WJOI-FM at Oak Grove, Kentucky.

Respectfully submitted,

**SAGA COMMUNICATIONS OF
TUCKESSEE, LLC**

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ATTACHMENT A

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING
Assign Channel 232A to Oak Grove, Kentucky
Delete Channel 232A from Springfield, Tennessee
Order WJOI to the New Community of License
October 2002

This Technical Exhibit supports the Petition For Rulemaking to assign Channel 232A to Oak Grove, Kentucky as that community's first local service. It is proposed to delete Channel 232A from Springfield, Tennessee'. The city of Oak Grove has a population of 7,064 persons according to the 2000 US Census. From the proposed reference point' all FM spacing per §73.207 of the Commission's Rules are met. Additionally a station operating with maximum Class A facilities will provide the entire community of Oak Grove with a 70 dBu or greater service

The Gain/Loss area map shows that from the reference coordinates a 60 dBu (Primary) contour will provide service to 100% of the proposed city of license. It will place a 60 dBu signal over 100% of Clarksville, Tennessee and Fort Campbell, Kentucky. It will also provide 60 dBu coverage over 100% of the Clarksville Urbanized Area.

Oak Grove is located inside the Clarksville, Tennessee Urbanized Area and comprises 5.6% of the total Urbanized Area. This area has a 2000 population of 124,857 persons. The proposed facility will provide a 70 dBu contour to 80% of the Urbanized Area or a population coverage of 99,886 persons. Major communities within the Clarksville Urbanized Area are the City of Clarksville (103,455). City of Oak Grove (7,064) and the census designated place of Fort Campbell, North (14,338).

The center of Clarksville, Tennessee is located approximately 18 kilometers (11 miles) south of the center of Oak Grove. Clarksville is about 14.5 times larger in population than Oak Grove. A map is attached to this exhibit, which shows the proposed 70 dBu coverage of the Urbanized Area.

The population within the WJOI-FM 60 dBu licensed facility is 82,971 covering an area of 1,867 sq km. The population of the proposed facility will more than double to 173,611 with the area increasing to 2,516 sq. km. The population within the 1,858 sq km gain area is 160,615 persons. The loss area of 1,209 sq km area has a population of 69,975 persons. We show in the attached Gain/Loss Area Study

¹ Springfield will continue to receive local service from WSGI. 1100 kHz and WDBL, 1590 kHz

² Proposed Channel 232A Reference Point North Latitude 36° 35' 49". West Longitude 87° 14' 52"

map where there are 5 **AM** and 9 FM stations that provide 100% coverage to the **loss** area. Therefore, the **loss** area remains adequately served.

Bromo Communications, Inc.

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William G Brown

WJOI-FM
Channel 232A – 94.3 mHz
Oak Grove, Kentucky
October 2002

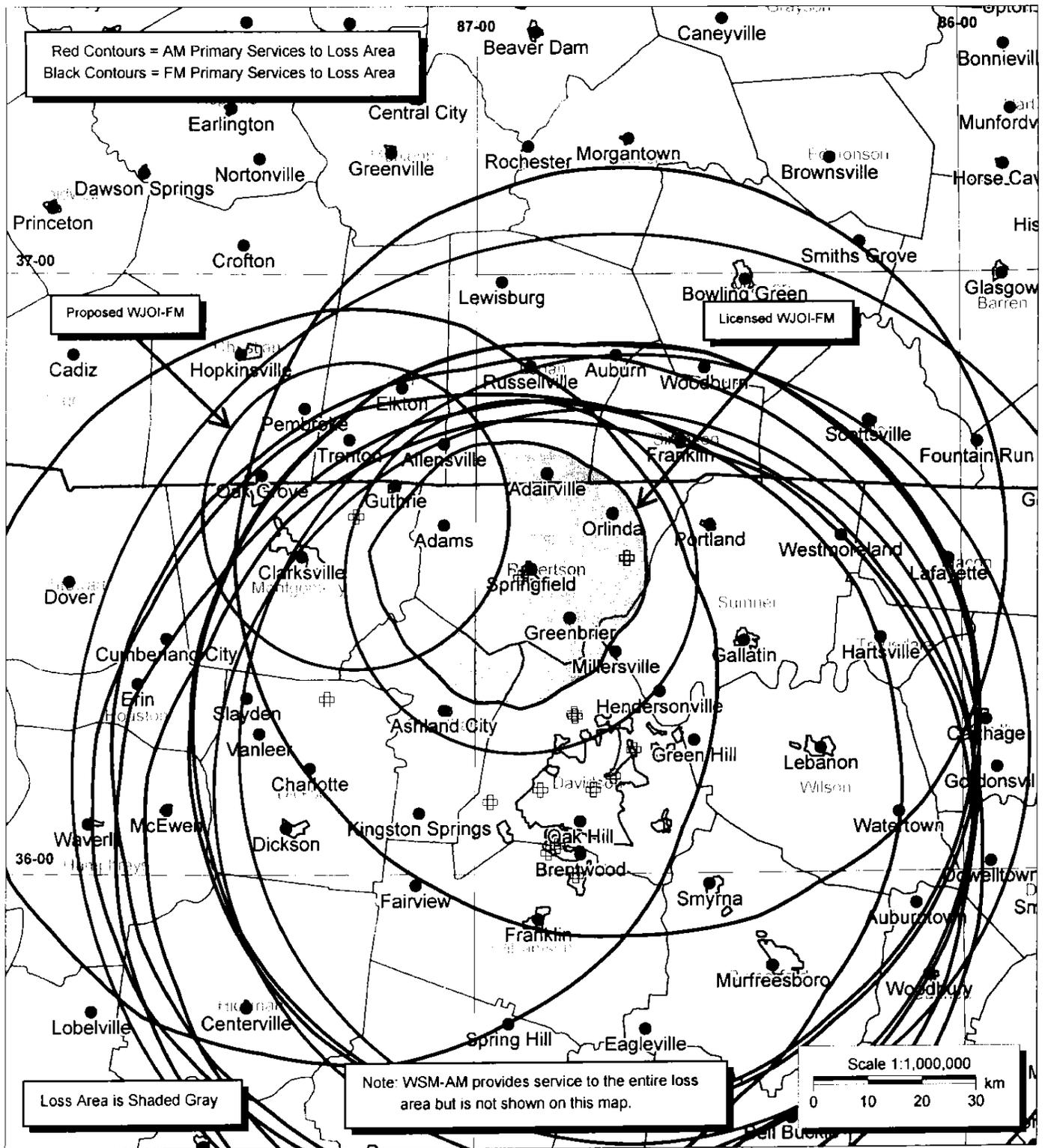
**TABULATION OF PRIMARY SERVICES
TO LOSS AREA**

AM Primary Services to Loss Area

WAMB (AM) 1160 kHz, Donelson, Tennessee
WDBL (AM) 1590 kHz, Springfield, Tennessee
WENO (AM) 760 kHz, Nashville, Tennessee
WSM-AM 650 kHz, Nashville, Tennessee
WYFN (AM) 980 kHz, Nashville, Tennessee

FM Primary Services to Loss Area

WGFX (FM) Channel 283C1, Gallatin, Tennessee
WJXA (FM) Channel 225C, Nashville, Tennessee
WKDF (FM) Channel 277C, Nashville, Tennessee
WNRQ (FM) Channel 290C, Nashville, Tennessee
WQZQ-FM Channel 273C1, Dickson, Tennessee
WRVW (FM) Channel 298C1, Lebanon, Tennessee
WSIX-FM Channel 250C, Nashville, Tennessee
WSM-FM Channel 238C, Nashville, Tennessee
WUBT (FM) Channel 266C1, Russellville, Kentucky



GAIN/LOSS AREA STUDY

WJOI-FM

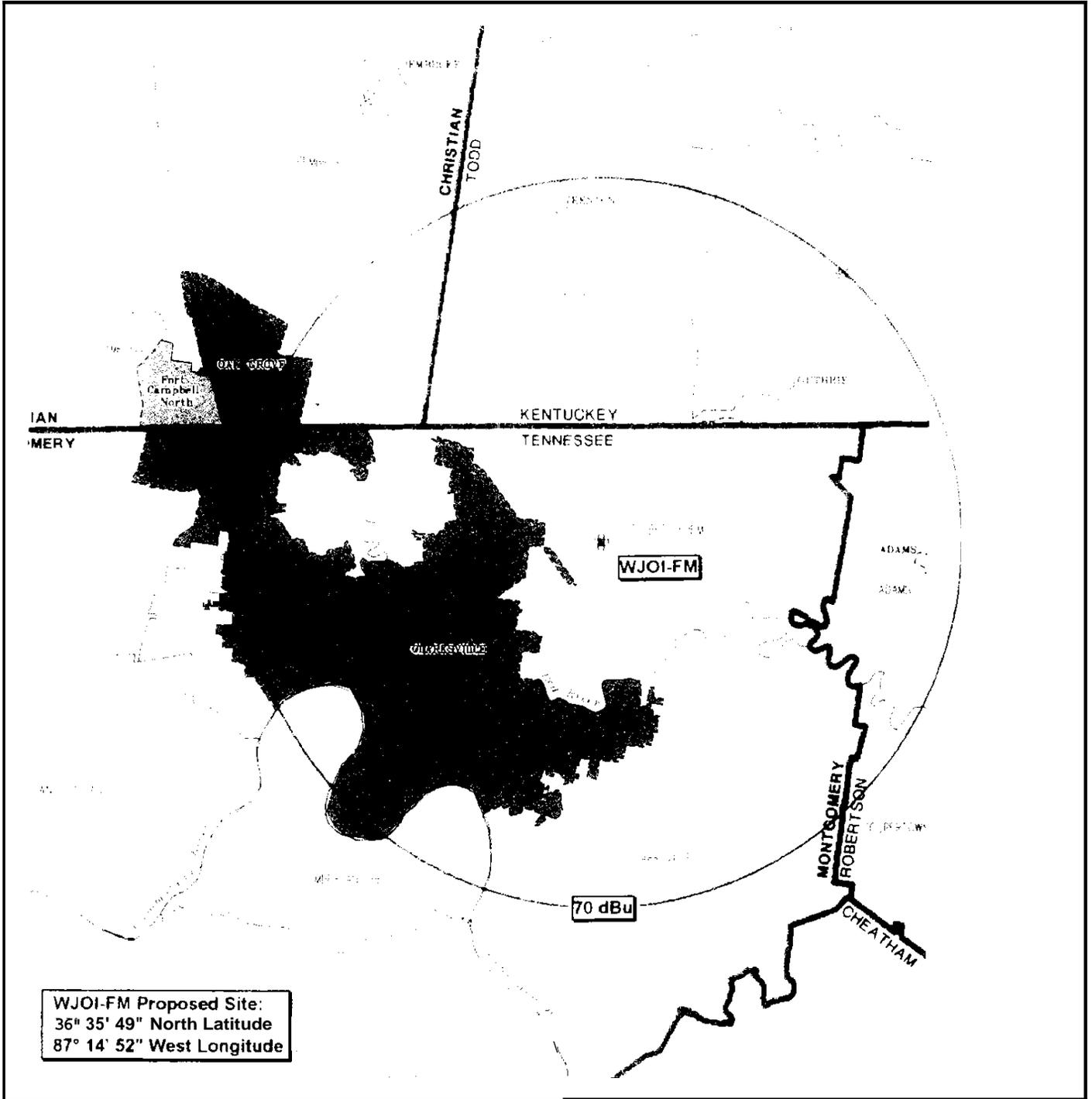
Channel 232A - 94.3 mHz

Oak Grove, Kentucky

Bromo Communications, Inc.

Atlanta, Georgia

October 2002



Clarksville, TN Urbanized Area Map

Scale: 1 inch = 1 mile

WJOI-FM
 Channel 232A - 94.3 MHz
 Oak Grove, Kentucky
 October 2002

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ATTACHMENT B

Marlene Dortch, Esq.
Secretary
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Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am Jean Leavell, Mayor of Oak Grove, Kentucky. I have been a resident of Oak Grove for 26 years.

Based on my familiarity with the area, I can state that Oak Grove is independent from the Clarksville Urbanized Area, and that I and other residents of Oak Grove perceive Oak Grove as separate and distinct from the Clarksville Urbanized Area.

We urge the FCC to allow WIOI-FM to change its community of license to Oak Grove so that we may have our own local radio station.


Jean Leavell

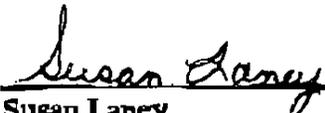
Mailene Dortch, Esq.
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am Susan Laney a member of the city council of Oak Grove, Kentucky. I have been a resident of Oak Grove since 1992.

Based on my familiarity with the area, I can state that Oak Grove is independent from the Clarksville Urbanized Area, and that I and other residents of Oak Grove perceive Oak Grove as separate and distinct from the Clarksville Urbanized Area.

We urge the FCC to allow WJOI-FM to change its community of license to Oak Grove so that we may have our own local radio station.


Susan Laney

ATTACHMENT C

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Oak Grove, Kentucky

LOCATION

Oak Grove, the second largest city in Christian County, is Fort Campbell's nearest neighbor with Gates **4, 5, and 6** adjoining U.S. Highway 41-A in Oak Grove, KY.

Until Fort Campbell was located, in 1942, the area around Oak Grove was primarily made up of large farms. Many are still owned by the descendants of the original settlers. Oak Grove was founded in 1828 and incorporated in 1974.

Oak Grove is bordered on the south by Clarksville, **TN**, and by Interstate **24** on the north. Oak Grove, population 5,000, is a very young, progressive minded community, 90 percent are military.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Oak Grove is fortunate to be near the finest educational facilities. The Christian County school system, one of the finest in the state of Kentucky, serves the community's elementary and secondary educational needs.

Hopkinsville Community College and Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, are outstanding higher educational facilities that serve the needs of our students.

Our community is an ideal retirement area due to our proximity to Fort Campbell, to many large cities, and only a few miles from Kentucky's best resorts and state

GOVERNMENT

The City of Oak Grove, KY, is governed by a mayor and a six member city council. The city enjoys excellent community relations with Fort Campbell, Hopkinsville, and our southern neighbor, Clarksville.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Oak Grove is fortunate to have several churches which minister to the spiritual, material, mental and emotional needs of its residents

Ministries offered by Oak Grove churches include weekly worship services, Bible Study, discipleship training, evangelism and outreach, local benevolent work, fellowship, and recreation. Churches provide for persons of all ages from babies in the nursery to senior adults.

Churches in Oak Grove, their addresses, and telephone numbers are listed below. They are here to serve you and your family.

Christ UMC Korean (bilingual)	430 Walter Garrett Oak Grove, KY 42262	(270) 439-3297
First Baptist Church	Highway 911, Oak Grove, KY 42262	(270) 439-5331
Good Hope Baptist Church	Highway 115, Oak Grove, KY 42262	(270) 439-5070
Maranatha Baptist Church	152 Stateline Rd., Oak Grove, KY 42262	(270) 439-6055

OAK GROVE

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Oak Grove Home



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About Oak Grove



A Place to Live, Work, and Raise a Family

Oak Grove, Christian County, Kentucky

Oak Grove is proud to be one of the fastest growing cities in th offer many opportunities not Found anywhere else. Oak Grove is community for Fort Campbell, Kentucky, Clarksville, TN and Na Affordable housing and easy access to recreation, shopping an the key ingredients to our success.

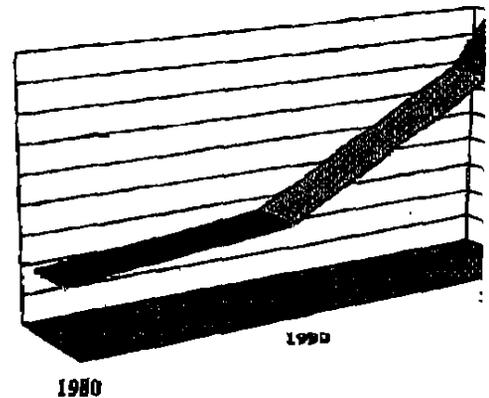
Located in Western Kentucky...

- 45 miles to Nashville
- 290 miles to Atlanta
- 300 miles to St. Louis
- 175 miles to Louisville
- 244 miles to Indianap
- 180 miles to Memphis

Population:

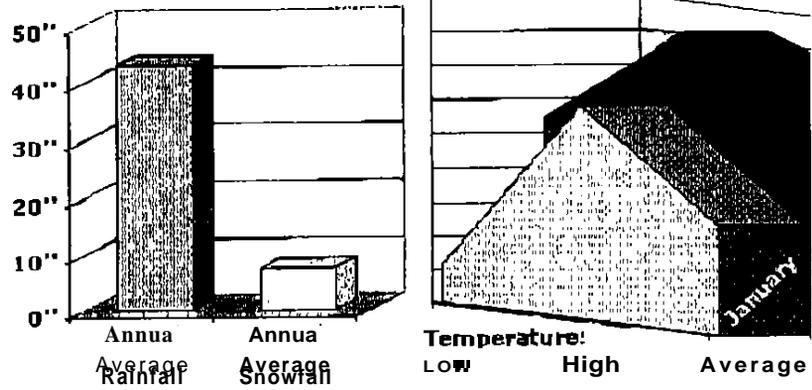
The population of Oak Grove is expanding rapidly, showing growth of nearly 150% through the 1990's.

By the end of 2002, these numbers are expected to have increased **another** 25% compared with the year 2000.



Climate / Weather

Living in *Oak Grove*, Kentucky



Communications

Newspaper:

- Kentucky New Era
- Leaf Chronicle

Radio;

- WABD 1370 AM
- WCVQ 107.9 FM
- WHOP 1230 AM

Television

- WKAG T

Cable:

- Mediaco

Transportation:

Highways

- Interstate 24
- US Route 41a
- KY Highways; 115, 117, 911, 400

Airports

- Nashville International
- Clarksville Outlaw Field

Bus Service (Christian

- Greyhound

Community and Recreational Facilities

Churches:

- Protestant (5)
- Catholic (1)
- Korean (1)

- Motels (3)

- Shopping Centers (

- Parks (3)

- Fort Campbell MU—

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Tourism

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- Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
- Kentucky Rural Water Association
- Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development
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931-647-5714	wendello@insn.com
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270-887-1300	www.christian.k12.ky.us
270-889-6540	countyclerk@christiancounty
	mken@christiancounty

Library	270-640-7221
Post Office	270-439-3710
Oak Grove Chamber of Commerce	270-439-7221
Health Department	270-887-4160

History of Oak Grove

The early origins of the Oak Grove community can be traced to the establishment of the first post office on April 26, 1828. Samuel Miller, the Postmaster. The post office was located in his store, since he was a miller and a merchant. Combining the post office and the

activities thus served as the mode through which people would a large scale. Initially this store was located at what is now Gate to Fort Campbell, along Highway 41A and was found among a g trees located there.

In 1884 the railroads influence was predominant on the l residents of Oak Grove. a combination freight-passenger train Clarksville to Gracey, Ky., and then to Princeton, Ky. The line the Buckberry Special after the conductor who operated it for years. In July of 1941 Oak Grove was selected by the war depa defense establishment. Oak Grove would never be the same.

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The community and businesses have grown and other businesse established to meet the needs of the civilian and military res Grove is one of the fastest growing cities in the state, we prid on our *diversity*, and our commitment to our community.

City Government

Mayor:	Administration:
lean Leavell	CITY CLERK: Colleen Ochs
City Council:	DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Dianna Alfamno
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Eddie Cannon	TAX CLERK: Susan Haley
Rick Ford	POLICE CHIEF: Milton Perry
Susan Laney	FIRE CHIEF: Eric Reece
Annette Martin	EMS: Allison Starks
Mick Boyd	BUILDING INSPECTOR: Gary L. Resler
	PLANNING/ZONING/CODE ENFORCEMEN
	Keith D. Lampkin
	CITY ATTORNEY: Jason Holland
	ROADS & GROUNDS: John Todd
	ANIMAL CONTROL: Bobby Combs
	UTILITIES: Zeda Rosser

Please send questions to: 8505 Pembroke-Oak Grove Roa to oakgroveinfo@oakgroveky.org

- Oak Grove is a Fourth Class City - Population 7064
- Mayor serves a four-year term.
- City council serves a two-year term.
- The city council meets the first and third Tuesday of ev month at 6:30 pm at the Municipal Building (8505 Pem Oak Grove Road).

Oak Grove Utilities

The City of Oak Grove is located at Fort Campbell's front do Kentucky-Tennessee state line. We are nestled in between H Kentucky and Clarksville, Tennessee. Our diverse community with all kinds of wonderful people, each with special qualities th to our uniqueness. Currently, we have almost 2900 customers. sole mission is to ensure that each customer receives nothing ie Service of excellence. We owe it to them and they certainly dese Our population now is nearly 9000 strong, having more than do

past 10 years. As our growth continues, we must be ready to meet its needs. It is our expectation and duty to follow through as our City's future is bright. Nothing would please us more than to share it with us. We'll grow together, under the "Wings of the Eagle".

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Current Positions Open:

Dispatcher

Roads and Grounds Personnel

All applications may be obtained at Oak Grove City Hall, 8505 Oak Grove Road, Oak Grove, Kentucky 42262 (No phone calls p

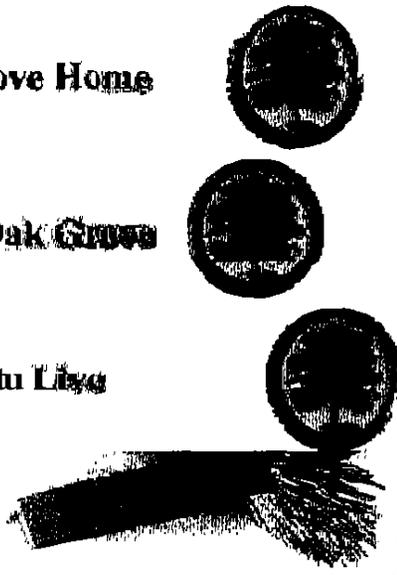
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Industry & Development

Our purpose is to recruit and retain industry and business community to help us sustain our economy, we are very excited about what we have to offer. Nowhere will you find the labor force, the potential like you will in Oak Grove. At this time, our development is being handled by our municipal personnel.

We are currently in the process of obtaining an industrial site, we offer superior infrastructure with public water and sewer systems and some gas. We have several acres zoned industrial between exit 24 on Interstate 24.

Related Links:

- [Kentucky Industrial Development Council](#)
- [Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development](#)
- [Kentucky Department for Employment Services](#)

Central to Your Markets

Oak Grove is located on I-24 in Western Kentucky, 45 miles from Memphis, 300 miles from St Louis, 290 miles from Atlanta, 400 miles from Louisville.

Median household income:

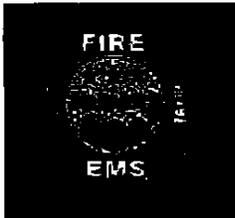
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Demographics

	2000	2002
Total Population	7064	9000*
Male	3748	
Female	3316	
Median age	23.8	
Total Households	2529	
Growth Rate	146.7%	

Utilities

- Oak Grove Waste Water Treatment Plant MGD
- Oak Grove Water Treatment Plant
- BellSouth (Telephone)
- Pennyrite Rural Electric Cooperation



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Oak Grove Fire Department

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Oak Grove, KY 42262
USA

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For emergencies: Dial 502-439-4602
Email: ogfd@commandnet.net

Submitted By: Eric Reece <medic22@usit.net>
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About the Oak Grove Fire Department

Oak Grove Fire Department proudly protects 6000+ people living in an area of 25 square miles. We operate out of 1 station that protects a primarily residential area. Our department is a public department whose members are on a volunteer status. We have an ISO rating of 6.

Our Services:

- Fire
- EMS
- Haz-Mat
- Search and Rescue

Our Dispatched Methods:

- Dialing 911
- Police
- County

We Belong to These Organizations:

- International Association of Fire Chief's
- KFA
- Christian County Fire and Rescue Association
- NFPA
- Kentucky Fire Chief Association

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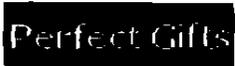
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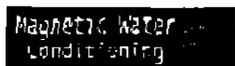
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Statistics & Facts

The population of Oak Grove is approximately 5,000 (1997)
The approximate number of families is 1,371 (1990).

The amount of land area in Oak Grove is 24.578 sq. kilometers.
The amount of surface water is 0 sq kilometers.
The distance from Oak Grove to Washington DC is 610 miles. The distance to the Kentucky state capital is 179 miles. (as the crow flies)
Oak Grove is positioned 36.66 degrees north of the equator and 87.42 degrees west of the prime meridian.

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Location

Oak Grove location: next to Fort Campbell

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The founding of Oak Grove: 1828
The incorporation date of Oak Grove: 1974

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HISTORY OF OAK GROVE, KY.

THEN

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*Oak Grove
Chamber of
Commerce*

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Oak Grove, Kentucky 42262
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— and —

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Oak Grove Chamber of Commerce Members

- Arnold's Beach Market
- Anthony's Oak & Key
- B&S Automotive Enterprises
- Below Enterprises
- Baby's Antiques
- Budget Inn
- Burt's Storage Sheds
- Canary Mobile Home Park
- Carlin's 21 Alamo Realty
- Charles Steak House
- Cash Construction
- Chevron Fuel Express
- Comfort Inn
- Commonwealth Auto Repair
- Dancing Dragon Tattoo
- Days Inn
- Eagle Coins
- Early Food Store
- Economy Auto Sales
- Edgewood Mobile Home Park
- EZ Oil Change
- EZ Suds
- First City Bank
- Food's Fine Food
- Gate 1 Body Shop
- Gate 1 Book Store
- Gate 5 Wrecking
- Great American Buffet
- G's Pancake House
- Hilcrest Mobile Home Park
- HomeInders/Fenner
- Richard and Jean Leavelle
- Khoekum Hill BBQ
- Lee Salon
- Luligs Pizza
- Sand Lyne
- Lyons Farms Inc.
- McVae III
- Manly's Paint & Body Shop
- NCOA Service Center
- Oak Grove Animal Clinic
- Oak Grove Auto Parts
- Oak Grove Auto Salvage
- Oak Grove Lions Club
- Oak Grove Department of Water
- Oak Grove Tax Service
- City of Oak Grove
- Papa John's
- Pilot
- Pistol Petes Pawn
- Public Inquiries
- Ed Pryor
- Port Automotive
- and Wacker's Bar
- FL 15 One Stop Mart
- Silver City Village
- St. Michael Catholic Ch.
- Sudway
- Robert Javorak
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